GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2137
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CONSTRUCTION OF SWIMMING POOLS IN KVS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether "Swimming Pools" have been built in the premises of Kendriya Vidyalayas of Delhi run by Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan to promote the art of swimming;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that the 'Swimming Pools" built on Government land is used by the outsiders by paying huge amount as utility charges to the contractors and the students of the schools also have to pay the charges;

(c) whether the Swimming Pools on the Government land was built by the Government in the premises of Kendriya Vidyalayas for commercial purposes;

(d) if not, the reasons for the swimming pools to be used by the outsiders and also the reasons for the charges being taken from the students; and

(e) the reaction of the Government thereto in regard to this entire episode?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) As per information received from Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, these Swimming Pools have been built on the premises of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan on "Build, Operate and Transfer" basis by private parties. They provide their facilities to students during school hours free of charge, however, after school hours, the students are provided the facilities at a concessional rate. These swimming pools have been built by private parties, from their own resources, hence, they are permitted to allow general public to use them outside school hours, at commercial rates.

(e) Chief Controller of Accounts of the Ministry of Human Resource Development and the Director General of Audit Central Revenue has been directed to carry out the audit in the issue.